

**IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE UNITED STATES
FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF NORTH CAROLINA
ASHEVILLE DIVISION**

CIVIL NO. 1:99CV268

STEVE E. ASHE, and wife DEBORAH)

ANN SCOTT ASHE, *et al.*,)

Plaintiffs,)

Vs.)

A. W. CHESTERTON, INC., *et al.*,)

Defendants.)

PRETRIAL ORDER

The undersigned has conducted a pretrial conference in this matter and enters the following Order reflecting matters discussed and agreed upon at such conference.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED that the following deadlines apply:

1. Depositions of the Plaintiffs must be completed on or before **60 DAYS BEFORE TRIAL;**
2. Plaintiffs shall provide the Defendants with any updated medical review as soon as possible but not later than **60 DAYS BEFORE TRIAL;**

3. All prior radiology shall be shared with the Defendants as soon as possible but not later than **60 DAYS BEFORE TRIAL**;
4. Any new radiology must be produced digitally;
5. On or before **APRIL 9, 2007**, the Plaintiffs shall execute authorizations for the blanket release of medical records to defense counsel;
6. Reports for retained experts are due from the Plaintiffs no later than **45 DAYS BEFORE TRIAL**, and from the Defendants no later than **30 DAYS BEFORE TRIAL**;
7. Rule 26 disclosures are limited by agreement of the parties to specific Plaintiffs and job sites;
8. Discovery shall be completed no later than **30 DAYS BEFORE TRIAL**;
9. All motions except motions *in limine* shall be filed no later than **30 DAYS BEFORE TRIAL**; and
10. Defendants are to select one defense counsel to act as liaison counsel within **5 DAYS** from entry of this Order.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a jury trial involving all Plaintiffs¹ will begin on **OCTOBER 22, 2007**.

The parties are directed to consult the Initial Pretrial Order Coordinating Proceedings filed in the combined proceeding, WDCP-83-1, for matters not specifically addressed by this Order.

Signed: April 2, 2007

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'L. H. Thornburg', is written over a horizontal line.

Lacy H. Thornburg
United States District Judge



¹A separate order will identify the trial groupings of these Plaintiffs.